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SUBJECT: NIMBUS STAR

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1. UK HIGH COMMISSION TELLS US THAT THEY HAVE GO-AHEAD FROM CAIRO TO APPROACH MAKARIOS, BUT EGYPTIANS ASK THAT THERE BE NO PUBLICITY. THIS HAS PUT HIGH COMMISSION INTO SOMETHING OF A QUANDARY AS TO WHAT TO SAY TO MAKARIOS. I ADVANCED PERSONAL SUGGESTION THAT THEY APPROACH MAKARIOS BEFORE ATTEMPTING TO CLEAR THIS UP, SIMPLY TELL HIM THAT THEY WOULD INFORM HIM OF ANY PLANS FOR NEWS RELEASE. (THEY HAVE JUST CONFIRMED THIS IS WHAT THEY ARE DOING.)

2. WE ASSUME EGYPTIANS HAVE NOT FOCUSED ON IMPOSSIBILITY OF KEEPING ARRANGEMENTS AWAY FROM PUBLIC ATTENTION. VERY LOW KEY ANNOUNCEMENT, PERHAPS IN LONDON AND WASHINGTON, WOULD ENABLE US TO GET AHEAD OF THE STORY AND PUT IT IN POPULAR CONTEXT OF CLEARING THE SUEZ, BEFORE HOSTILE PRESS PARLAYS
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